greying etc. is facing a probe by the MRTPC on charges of making false and misleading representation;

(b) if so, the outcome of the probe; and

(c) the action proposed to be taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE & COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI H.R. BHARDWAJ): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The matter is subjudice.

Effect of Rice Bran on Cardio Vascular and Kidney Diseases

2304. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the rice bran has been found to be a powerful protective agent against cardio vascular and kidney diseases;

(b) whether the same has been tried on the patients also, if so, where;

(c) whether any pharmaceutical firm has come forward to extract rice bran oil; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C. SILVERA): (a) There are no known studies on the use of rice bran against cardio-vascular and kidney diseases. However, rice bran oil has been found to be effective in reducing serum cholesterol and triglycerides which are known risk factors for cardio vascular diseases. There is no information regarding its protective effect or kidney diseases.

(b) to (d) Government do not have information in the matter.

Vacant post of Advocate General in Army

2305. SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA:
SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there are vacancies including Judge Advocate General in Judicial Department of Indian Army; and

(b) if so, the details thereof stating its impact on judicial working of Indian Army?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) As on 21 August, 1995, the vacancies of officers in the Judicial Department of the Indian Army, including those in the formations, are as under:—

(i) Judge Advocate General (JAG) (Maj. Gen)	—	1
(ii) Deputy Judge Advocate General (DJAG) (Colonel)	—	2
(iii) Lt. Cols & below	—	22

The order for appointment of the Judge Adcovate General has since been issued and the officer is likely to join shortly.

There has been no adverse impact on the working in the Judicial Department of the Army because of the aforesaid vacancies.

मलेरिया के लिए भारतीय रसायन प्रौद्योगिकी संस्थान द्वारा विकसित वैकल्पिक दवा

2306. **श्री सोमपाल:** क्या स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या भारतीय रसायन प्रौद्योगिकी संस्थान, हैदराबाद ने मलेरिया की एक वैकल्पिक दवा विकसित की है;

(ख) क्या सरकार ने इस दवा की नैदानिक क्षमता का आकलन कराया है और क्या रोगियों पर होने वाले अन्य प्रभावों के संबंध में सभी परीक्षण पूरे कर लिये गये हैं;